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### **Amendments To The Claims**

The listing of claims presented below will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

#### **Listing of claims:**

1. (Currently amended) A hose connection assembly for a vacuum cleaner, which is disposed between a dust-collecting chamber of a cleaner body and a connection part of a suction brush, the hose connection assembly comprising:

a flexible hose having one end connected to the dust-collecting chamber;

a hose holder connected to the other end of the flexible hose and being removably connected to the connection part of the suction brush; and

a handle mounted on the hose holder to assist in connecting and disconnecting the hose holder with respect to the connection part, the handle being comprised of a fixing portion shaped as a cylinder and mounted on a mounting portion, and a holding portion protruding from one side of the fixing portion in a perpendicular direction, the fixing portion having a larger diameter than that of the mounting portion, thereby being rotatable about the mounting portion through 360°.

2. (Currently amended) The hose connection assembly for the vacuum cleaner of claim 1, wherein [[a]] the mounting portion having a bead is formed on an outer circumference of the hose holder to mount the handle thereon, and the handle is rotatably mounted on the mounting portion.

3. (Cancelled)

4. (Currently amended) The hose connection assembly for the vacuum cleaner of claim [[3]] 2, wherein the bead has a diameter difference relative to the cylindrical surface of the mounting portion that is larger than a gap formed by the diameter difference between the mounting portion and the fixing portion.

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5. (Original) The hose connection assembly for the vacuum cleaner of claim 4, wherein one circumferential bead is formed along an outer circumference of the mounting portion in an annular pattern.

6. (Original) The hose connection assembly for the vacuum cleaner of claim 4, wherein a plurality of circumferential beads are formed along an outer circumference of the mounting portion at predetermined intervals from each other.

7. (Currently amended) The hose connection assembly for the vacuum cleaner of claim ~~[[3]]~~ 2, wherein the holding portion is provided with a protrusion to prevent slipping when a user holds the holding portion.

8. (Currently amended) An upright type vacuum cleaner comprising:  
a cleaner body having a dust-collecting chamber and a driving chamber, each being divided by a partition;  
a suction brush disposed below the cleaner body and having a connection part to form a flow channel to the dust-collecting chamber; and  
a hose connection assembly interposed between the dust-collecting chamber and the connection part, the hose connection assembly comprising,  
a flexible hose having one end connected to the dust-collecting chamber,  
a hose holder connected to the other end of the flexible hose and removably connected to the connection part, and  
a handle mounted on the hose holder to assist in connecting and disconnecting the hose holder with respect to the connecting portion, the handle comprised of a fixing portion shaped as a cylinder and mounted on a mounting portion, and a holding portion protruding from one side of the fixing portion in a perpendicular direction, the fixing portion having a larger diameter than that of the mounting portion, thereby being rotatable about the mounting portion by 360°.

9. (Currently amended) The upright type vacuum cleaner of claim 8, wherein ~~[[a]]~~

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the mounting portion having a circumferential bead is formed on an outer circumference of the hose holder to mount the handle therein, and the handle is rotatably mounted on the mounting portion.

10. (Cancelled)

11. (Currently amended) The upright type vacuum cleaner of claim ~~[[10]]~~ 9, wherein the circumferential bead has a diameter difference relative to the cylindrical surface of the mounting portion that is larger than a gap formed by the diameter difference between the mounting portion and the fixing portion.

12. (Original) The upright type vacuum cleaner of 11, wherein one circumferential bead is formed along an outer circumference of the mounting portion in an annular pattern.

13. (Currently amended) The upright type vacuum cleaner of claim ~~[[10]]~~ 9, wherein a plurality of circumferential beads are formed along an outer circumference of the mounting portion at predetermined intervals from each other.

14. (Currently amended) The upright type vacuum cleaner of claim ~~[[10]]~~ 9, wherein the holding portion is provided with a protrusion to prevent slipping when a user holds the holding portion.

15. (Original) The hose connection assembly for the vacuum cleaner of claim 2, wherein the mounting portion has a circumferential bead formed on an outer circumference of the mounting portion to mount the handle thereon.

16. (Original) The hose connection assembly for the vacuum cleaner of claim 2, wherein the mounting portion has a plurality of circumferential bead sections formed on the outer circumference of the mounting portion to mount the handle thereon.